

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraphs on page 1, after line 25:

Specifically the technical problem that is solved by the present invention is that currently meat processing machines process information about meat and the machine and that data must be taken down by hand by an individual. This process can be very tedious, time consuming and can present many opportunities for inaccuracies. Thus, a system that improves upon taking hand calculations from a machine that monitors a meat processing machine is desired.

The background art of this invention includes German Patent No. DE19522937. This disclosure teaches a device that receives information from an automobile communication device and that communicates with a computer. This device does not properly achieve the goals of the present invention because this disclosure does not teach a system for monitoring a meat processing device. Nor does this disclosure teach what type of parameters would be sensed by a meat sensing device to provide information to an intermediary device or a computer.

Another reference is U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0195640 to Krocker. This reference teaches a system for servicing a computer controlled machine. This machine sends a signal to a service tool that relays information to a computer or a second service tool that can relay the information to other areas. Again, Krocker does not teach using such a device on a meat processing machine. Nor does it teach sensing parameters that are associated with a meat processing machine.

U.S. Publication No. 2003/0115019 to Doddek teaches a system and method for analyzing and providing exception based reports for machine data. Again the Doddek reference does not teach or contemplate retrieving information regarding a meat processing machine nor does it teach how to sense parameters of a meat processing machine.

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 30, which starts with "It will be appreciated by those skilled in the art".